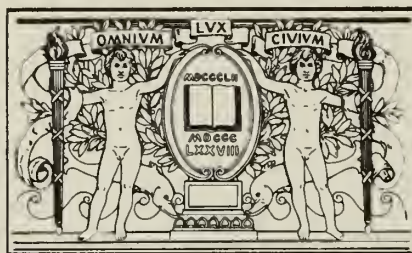


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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

To the School Committee of the City of Boston:

In compliance with the Rules of the School Committee, I submit herewith the budget for the fiscal year 1961 to provide for General School Purposes of the Boston Public Schools and the appropriations for the Department of School Buildings which provide for the cost of construction and furnishing of new school buildings, including the taking of land therefor, and for the cost of the alteration and repair of school buildings.

The appropriating power of the School Committee is limited by Chapter 117 of the Acts of 1949. (See page 5.)

For the calendar year 1961, Chapter 117 of the Acts of 1949 has the following effect:

(a) The sum of \$711,427, plus any unexpended appropriation balances in this category, may be appropriated for the construction and furnishing of new school buildings.

(b) The sum of \$2,418,853, plus any unexpended appropriation balances in this category, may be appropriated for the alteration and repair of school buildings.

The basis for the appropriating power for 1961 under (a) and (b) above is \$1,422,855,966, representing the average of the assessors' valuations for the three preceding years, such valuations being reduced by abatements granted up to December 31, 1960.⁽¹⁾

(c) The sum of \$21,200,000, supplemented by amounts appropriated by the City Council upon recommendation of the Mayor, plus any unexpended appropriation balances in this category, plus estimated income for 1961, may be appropriated for all other school purposes. It should be noted that the sum of \$1,961,893 which is credited to the School Committee for 1961 under General Laws, Chapter 70, is to be specified separately from the amount to be raised by local taxation for the support of schools, thereby reducing the latter amount.

The following is a comparative summary of total appropriations for All School Purposes for 1960 and 1961:

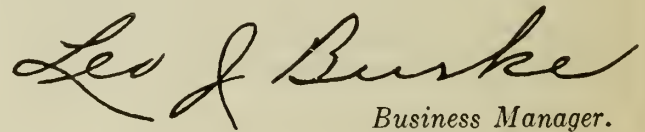
	Total Appropriations for 1960	Appropriations Made by School Committee for 1961	Appropriation Passed by City Council for 1961	Total Appropriations for 1961	Increase or Decrease * 1961 from 1960
<i>School Committee</i>					
General School Purposes . . .	\$32,491,699 00	\$22,741,925 51	\$10,945,077 49	\$33,687,003 00	\$1,195,304 00
<i>Department of School Buildings</i>					
Alterations and Repairs . . .	1,275,000 00	1,636,600 00	—	1,636,600 00	361,600 00
Land and Buildings . . .	90,108 60	91,200 00	—	91,200 00	1,091 40
Total for All School Purposes . . .	\$33,856,807 60	\$24,469,725 51	\$10,945,077 49	\$35,414,893 00	\$1,557,935 40

⁽¹⁾ Exclusive of the valuations and abatements of motor vehicles.

On February 1, 1961, there were under the direct control of the School Committee 5,350 employees, including temporary and substitute teachers and other temporary employees. The Department of School Buildings, which had 61 employees on February 1, 1961, is responsible for the proper maintenance of 207 buildings in the City of Boston. The number of buildings includes two Administration Buildings, the Supply Room of the School Department and the building occupied by the Department of School Buildings.

Educational facilities were afforded 89,522 day school pupils belonging on September 30, 1960; 5,994 evening school pupils belonging on October 3, 1960; and 2,110 summer school pupils belonging on August 10, 1960.

Respectfully submitted,


Business Manager.

Chapter 117 of the Acts of 1949 now in effect provides as follows:

"SECTION 1. Chapter 224 of the acts of 1936 is hereby amended by striking out section 2, as amended by section 1 of chapter 167 of the acts of 1948, and inserting in place thereof the following section: Section 2. The school committee of the city of Boston may annually, beginning with the financial year nineteen hundred and forty-nine, by vote of four fifths of all its members, taken by yeas and nays, make appropriations to be raised by taxation as follows:

(a) For the construction and furnishing of new school buildings, both temporary and permanent, including the taking of land therefor, and for school yards and the preparing of school yards for use, and for rent of hired school accommodations, a sum which shall not exceed fifty cents on each one thousand dollars of the average of the assessors' valuations for the three preceding years, such valuations being reduced by abatements granted up to December thirty-first of the preceding year;

(b) For the alteration and repair of school buildings and for furniture, fixtures, and means of escape in case of fire, and for fire protection of existing buildings, and for improving existing school yards, a sum which shall not exceed one dollar and seventy cents on each one thousand dollars of the average of the assessors' valuations for the three preceding years, such valuations being reduced by abatements granted up to December thirty-first of the preceding year; and

(c) For all other school purposes, the sum of nineteen million nine hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars.

Unexpended appropriation balances may be reappropriated for their respective purposes; and, in addition to the sum specified in clause (c), an amount equal to the money that may be given, and the income collected for school purposes, as estimated by said committee, may be appropriated for the purposes of clause (c). Nothing in this section shall be construed as authorizing said school committee to appropriate sums distributed or distributable under chapter seventy of the General Laws, which sums constitute general revenues of said city.

Nothing in this section shall prevent the mayor, on request of the school committee, from recommending and the city council from passing additional appropriations for school purposes.

"SECTION 2. Section 2 of chapter 224 of the acts of 1936, as amended by section 1 of this act, is hereby further amended by striking out, in the first sentence, clause (c) and inserting in place thereof the following clause:

(c) For all other school purposes, the sum of twenty-one million two hundred thousand dollars.

"SECTION 3. So much of section five of chapter two hundred and forty-one of the acts of eighteen hundred and seventy-five, as amended, as provides that the salaries of teachers in the public schools of said city shall not be increased during a school year, shall not be operative in the current school year with respect to any salary increase which is to take effect on or after July first in the current year.

"SECTION 4. This section and sections one and three of this act shall take effect upon the passage of this act. Section two of this act shall take effect on January first, nineteen hundred and fifty."

Approved April 4, 1949.

ANALYSIS OF CURRENT INCOME AND OTHER CREDITS FOR GENERAL SCHOOL PURPOSES, 1961

SOURCE	Amount 1961	Per- centage
REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES	\$111,000 00	.33
TUITION FROM PATRONS		
Regular Day Schools	\$54,100 00	
Adult Education	400 00	
Other Tuition from Patrons	600 00	
OTHER REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES		
Earnings from Permanent Funds and Endowments	350 00	
Rent from School Facilities	14,000 00	
Miscellaneous Revenue from Local Sources	41,550 00	
REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES	1,149,000 00	3.41
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS		
Vocational Aid	800,000 00	
Horace Mann School	184,000 00	
Adult Civic Education	23,000 00	
Tuition of State Wards	27,000 00	
Classes for Conservation of Eyesight and Braille	20,000 00	
Employment of School Adjustment Counselors	18,000 00	
FEDERAL MONEY RECEIVED THROUGH THE STATE		
George Barden Fund	22,000 00	
Smith Hughes Fund	55,000 00	
AMOUNTS RECEIVED FROM OTHER SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN THE STATE	117,000 00	.35
Tuition	117,000 00	
TOTAL ESTIMATED INCOME AVAILABLE FOR 1961	\$1,377,000 00	4.09
UNEXPENDED BALANCES FROM 1960 FOR GENERAL SCHOOL PURPOSES	164,925 51	.49
ESTIMATED AMOUNT TO BE RECEIVED BY THE CITY OF BOSTON FROM THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS UNDER GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 70	1,961,893 00	5.82
TOTAL CREDITS OTHER THAN TAXES FOR GENERAL SCHOOL PURPOSES	\$3,503,818 51	10.40
CITY OF BOSTON LOCAL TAXES FOR GENERAL SCHOOL PURPOSES	30,183,184 49	89.60
GRAND TOTAL FOR GENERAL SCHOOL PURPOSES	\$33,687,003 00	100.00

ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURES FOR 1960 COMPARED WITH ALLOCATIONS FOR 1961

	Expenditures 1960		Allocations 1961	
	Amount	Percentage	Amount	Percentage
1. ADMINISTRATION	\$713,777 54	2.21	\$775,160 00	2.30
A. General Administration	134,487 10		128,346 00	
B. Business Administration	245,322 30		249,536 00	
C. Educational Administration	333,968 14		397,278 00	
2. INSTRUCTION	25,360,567 38	78.45	26,434,925 00	78.47
A. Educational Direction and Supervision	1,019,334 17		1,064,363 00	
B. Elementary Schools	11,137,748 15		11,464,910 00	
C. Junior High Schools	2,553,817 67		2,723,580 00	
D. Latin and Day High Schools	6,191,726 10		6,454,966 00	
E. Special Education	3,559,273 40		3,755,115 00	
F. Physical Education	691,490 62		704,991 00	
G. Evening and Summer Schools	189,969 15		192,000 00	
H. Stores and Other Expenditures	17,208 12		75,000 00 +	
3. ATTENDANCE AND HEALTH SERVICES	999,318 42	3.09	1,060,043 00	3.15
A. Supervisors of Attendance	250,010 89		288,749 00	
B. School Physicians and Nurses	716,442 66		739,633 00	
C. School Medical Aids	32,864 87		31,661 00	
4. PUPIL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES	79,939 89	.25	73,550 00	.22
5. OPERATION OF PLANT	4,005,760 22	12.39	4,102,982 00	12.18
A. Office of Schoolhouse Custodian	58,487 83		60,583 00	
B. Custodians	2,659,570 11		2,744,752 00	
C. Heat for Buildings	527,039 79		534,400 00	
D. Utilities, Except Heat for Buildings	500,415 74		501,127 00	
E. Supplies, Except Utilities	127,784 74		126,000 00	
F. Supply Room	132,462 01		136,120 00	
6. MAINTENANCE OF PLANT	87,326 24	.27	105,880 00	.31
7. FIXED CHARGES	852,860 42	2.64	933,011.00	2.77
8. FOOD SERVICES (Deficit Appropriation)	105,039 00	.32	78,202 00	.23
9. COMMUNITY SERVICES	122,184 38	.38	123,250 00	.37
Total	\$32,326,773 49	100.00	\$33,687,003 00	100.00
10. PENSIONS TO TEACHERS (Noncontributory)	(1) 384,685 24		—	
11. UNLIQUIDATED RESERVE	412 00		—	
12. INCOME ACCOUNTS				
A. School Lunch Account, Chapter 417, Acts of 1950*	1,385,263 25		—	
B. Physical Education Account, G. L., Ch. 71, Sec. 47*	37,560 74		—	
C. National Defense Education Act	26,334 95		—	
Grand Total — School Committee	\$34,161,029 67		—	
	1960		1961	
	Amount	Percentage	Amount	Percentage
Salaries	\$29,814,784 27	92.23	\$31,030,609 00	92.11
Other Expenses	2,511,989 22	7.77	2,656,394 00	7.89
Total	\$32,326,773 49	100.00	\$33,687,003 00	100.00

(1) No appropriation from tax levy. These pensions are paid from (a) income received from the Commonwealth, (b) unexpended balance of last year, (c) accrued interest of the Permanent School Pension Fund, (d) the principal of the Permanent School Pension Fund.
* Income accounts. See pages 9 and 15.

ADMINISTRATION

Analysis of Expenditures for 1960 compared with Allocations for 1961

	Expenditures 1960		Allocations 1961	
	Amount		Amount	
I. ADMINISTRATION		\$713,777 54		\$775,160 00
A. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION		134,487 10		128,346 00
School Committee		32,245 26		27,100 00
Other Expenses	\$32,245 26		\$27,100 00	
Secretary's Office		91,796 22		90,426 00
Salaries	85,238 23		89,326 00	
Other Expenses	6,557 99		1,100 00	
Other Expenditures		10,445 62		10,820 00
Salaries	6,920 00		7,220 00	
Other Expenses	3,525 62		3,600 00	
B. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION		245,322 30		249,536 00
Office of Business Manager		245,322 30		249,536 00
Salaries	216,348 40		221,336 00	
Other Expenses	28,973 90		28,200 00	
C. EDUCATIONAL ADMINISTRATION		333,968 14		397,278 00
Superintendent's Office		112,739 14		132,435 00
Salaries	106,377 02		127,732 00	
Other Expenses	6,362 12		4,703 00	
Assistant Superintendents' Offices		146,604 44		167,298 00
Salaries	136,591 95		156,168 00	
Other Expenses	10,012 49		11,130 00	
Board of Examiners		54,913 21		57,816 00
Salaries	47,386 68		49,046 00	
Other Expenses	7,526 53		8,770 00	
Statistics and Publicity		19,711 35		39,729 00
Salaries	19,112 16		34,029 00	
Other Expenses	599 19		5,700 00	
Salaries	\$617,974 44	86 58	\$684,857 00	88 35
Other Expenses	95,803 10	13 42	90,303 00	1 65
Total	\$713,777 54	100 00	\$775,160 00	100 00

INSTRUCTION

Analysis of Expenditures for 1960 compared with Allocations for 1961

	Expenditures 1960		Allocations 1961	
	Amount		Amount	
2. INSTRUCTION	\$25,360,567	38	\$26,434,925	00
A. Educational Direction and Supervision	1,019,334	17	1,064,363	00
Salaries	\$977,422	25	\$1,017,936	00
Other Expenses	41,911	92	46,427	00
B. Elementary Schools	11,137,748	15	11,464,910	00
Salaries	10,853,964	39	11,128,474	00
Other Expenses	283,783	76	336,436	00
C. Junior High Schools	2,553,817	67	2,723,580	00
Salaries	2,471,427	12	2,629,010	00
Other Expenses	82,390	55	94,570	00
D. Latin and Day High Schools	6,191,726	10	6,454,966	00
Salaries	5,969,113	41	6,216,970	00
Other Expenses	222,612	69	237,996	00
E. Special Education	3,559,273	40	3,755,115	00
Salaries	3,350,886	99	3,536,085	00
Other Expenses	208,386	41	219,030	00
F. Physical Education*	691,490	62	704,991	00
Salaries	632,710	62	647,691	00
Other Expenses	58,780	00	57,300	00
G. Evening and Summer Schools	189,969	15	192,000	00
Salaries	171,970	00	175,500	00
Other Expenses	17,999	15	16,500	00
H. Stores and Other Expenditures	17,208	12	75,000	00
Other Expenses	17,208	12	75,000	00

	Amount	Percentage	Amount	Percentage
Salaries	\$24,427,494 78	96.32	\$25,351,666 00	95.90
Other Expenses	933,072 60	3.68	1,083,259 00	4.10
Total	\$25,360,567 38	100.00	\$26,434,925 00	100.00

* Expenditures for Physical Education, 1960

	From		Total
	(1) Income G. L. Ch 71, Sec. 47	Appropriation	
Salaries	—	\$632,710 62	\$632,710 62
Other Expenses	\$37,560 74	58,780 00	96,340 74
Total	\$37,560 74	\$691,490 62	\$729,051 36

(1) See page 7.

ATTENDANCE AND HEALTH SERVICES
Analysis of Expenditures for 1960 compared with Allocations for 1961

		Expenditures 1960	Allocations 1961
		Amount	Amount
3.	ATTENDANCE AND HEALTH SERVICES . . .	\$999,318 42	\$1,060,043 00
A.	Supervisors of Attendance	250,010 89	288,749 00
	Salaries	\$236,860 56	\$273,499 00
	Other Expenses	13,150 33	15,250 00
B.	School Physicians and Nurses	716,442 66	739,633 00
	Salaries	704,559 95	727,833 00
	Other Expenses	11,882 71	11,800 00
C.	School Medical Aids	32,864 87	31,661 00
	Salaries	32,864 87	31,661 00
		Amount	Amount
	Salaries	\$974,285 38	\$1,032,993 00
	Other Expenses	25,033 04	27,050 00
	Total	\$999,318 42	\$1,060,043 00
		Percentage	Percentage
	Salaries	97.49	97.45
	Other Expenses	2.51	2.55
	Total	100.00	100.00

PUPIL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES
Analysis of Expenditures for 1960 compared with Allocations for 1961

	Expenditures 1960 Amount	Allocations 1961 Amount
4. PUPIL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES	\$79,939 89	\$73,550 00
A. Car Tickets	\$10,227 50	\$10,000 00
B. General	34,252 20	26,550 00
C. Handicapped Children	28,835 74	30,000 00
D. Museum of Science	1,458 90	—
E. Physical Education	5,165 55	7,000 00

	Amount	Percentage	Amount	Percentage
Salaries	—	—	—	—
Other Expenses	\$79,939 89	100.00	\$73,550 00	100.00
Total	\$79,939 89	100.00	\$73,550 00	100.00

OPERATION OF PLANT
Analysis of Expenditures for 1960 compared with Allocations for 1961

		Expenditures 1960	Allocations 1961
		Amount	Amount
5. OPERATION OF PLANT		\$4,005,760 22	\$4,102,982 00
A. Office of Schoolhouse Custodian		58,487 83	60,583 00
Salaries		\$56,990 59	\$59,183 00
Other Expenses		1,497 24	1,400 00
B. Custodians		2,659,570 11	2,744,752 00
Salaries		2,659,570 11	2,744,752 00
C. Heat for Buildings		527,039 79	534,400 00
Other Expenses		527,039 79	534,400 00
D. Utilities, Except Heat for Buildings.		500,415 74	501,127 00
Salaries		9,654 80	10,127 00
Other Expenses		490,760 94	491,000 00
E. Supplies, Except Utilities		127,784 74	126,000 00
Other Expenses		127,784 74	126,000 00
F. Supply Room		132,462 01	136,120 00
Salaries		128,143 90	131,520 00
Other Expenses		4,318 11	4,600 00
		Amount	Percentage
Salaries		\$2,854,359 40	71.26
Other Expenses		1,151,400 82	28.74
Total		\$4,005,760 22	100.00
		Amount	Percentage
Salaries		\$2,945,582 00	71.79
Other Expenses		1,157,400 00	28.21
Total		\$4,102,982 00	100.00

MAINTENANCE OF PLANT
Analysis of Expenditures for 1960 compared with Allocations for 1961

	Expenditures 1960	Allocations 1961
	Amount	Amount
6. MAINTENANCE OF PLANT	\$87,326 24	\$105,880 00

A. Replacement of Equipment	67,800 64	85,880 00
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B. Repair of Equipment	19,525 60	20,000 00
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	Amount	Percentage	Amount	Percentage
Salaries	—	—	—	—
Other Expenses	\$87,326 24	100.00	\$105,880 00	100.00
Total	\$87,326 24	100.00	\$105,880 00	100.00

FIXED CHARGES

Analysis of Expenditures for 1960 compared with Allocations for 1961

	Expenditures 1960	Amount	Allocations 1961	Amount
7. FIXED CHARGES		\$852,860 42		\$933,011 00
A. Pensions to Veterans		779,982 02		850,000 00
B. Pension to Teacher (Chapter 744, Acts of 1950)		2,616 00		2,616 00
C. Annuities to Widow		1,599 96		1,600 00
D. Services of City Collector-Treasurer — Custodian of Teachers' Retirement Fund		2,499 96		2,500 00
E. Workmen's Compensation		37,010 33		41,045 00
F. Medical Services		10,599 46		11,000 00
G. Tuition		9,339 36		9,500 00
Tuition of pupils attending vocational and other schools outside of Boston	\$7,643 49		\$6,000 00	
Tuition of physically-handicapped children instructed in outside towns	1,695 87		3,500 00	
H. Payments for athletics, physical education, shop and laboratory injuries to pupils		8,592 43		10,000 00
I. Indemnification of Teachers		—		4,000 00
J. Fidelity Bond Premiums and Burglarly Insurance		620 90		750 00
		Amount	Percentage	Amount
Salaries	\$823,708 27	96.58	\$897,761 00	96.22
Other Expenses	29,152 15	3.42	35,250 00	3.78
		100.00		100.00
Total	\$852,860 42		\$933,011 00	

FOOD SERVICES (Deficit Appropriation)
Analysis of Expenditures for 1960 compared with Allocations for 1961

	Expenditures 1960 Amount	Allocations 1961 Amount
8. FOOD SERVICES (Deficit Appropriation)	\$105,039 00	\$78,202 00

A. School Lunches*		
Other Expenses	105,039 00	78,202 00

	Amount	Percentage	Amount	Percentage
Salaries	—	—	—	—
Other Expenses	\$105,039 00	100.00	\$78,202 00	100.00
Total	\$105,039 00	100.00	\$78,202 00	100.00

* Expenditures for School Lunches, 1960	From		
	(1) Income Ch. 417, Acts of 1950	Deficit Appropri- ation	Total
Salaries	\$428,507 99	—	\$428,507 99
Other Expenses	956,755 26	\$105,039 00	1,061,794 26
Total	\$1,385,263 25	\$105,039 00	\$1,490,302 25

(1) See page 7.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Analysis of Expenditures for 1960 compared with Allocations for 1961

		Expenditures 1960	Allocations 1961
		Amount	Amount
9.	COMMUNITY SERVICES	\$122,184 38	\$123,250 00
A.	Community Services	122,184 38	123,250 00
	Salaries	\$116,962 00	\$117,750 00
	Other Expenses	5,222 38	5,500 00

	Amount	Percentage	Amount	Percentage
Salaries	\$116,962 00	95.73	\$117,750 00	95.54
Other Expenses	5,222 38	4.27	5,500 00	4.46
Total	\$122,184 38	100.00	\$123,250 00	100.00

PENSIONS TO TEACHERS*

(Noncontributory)

Pensions to teachers retired under the provisions of Chapter 468 of the Acts of 1951, as amended by Chapter 624 of the Acts of 1952, Chapter 594 of the Acts of 1955 and Chapter 370 of the Acts of 1959

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* Pensions to teachers who were retired before the establishment of the Boston Retirement System, or who have not become members of such system or of the State-Boston Retirement System.

† No appropriation from tax levy to be made. These pensions will be paid from (a) the income received from the Commonwealth, (b) the unexpended balance of last year, (c) the accrued interest of the Permanent School Pension Fund, (d) the principal of the Permanent School Pension Fund.

DIVISION OF TAX RATE BASED ON APPROPRIATIONS 1951-1960

YEAR	State Tax	County Tax	Schools	Other City Depart- ments	Total City and Schools	Total Tax	Schools Per Cent of Total
1951	\$1 21	\$2 83	\$12 21	\$46 55	\$58 76	\$62 80	19.4
1952	2 87	2 90	13 09	47 94	61 03	66 80	19.6
1953	3 49	3 04	12 50	51 67	64 17	70 70	17.7
1954	3 53	3 00	12 40	50 87	63 27	69 80	17.8
1955	2 82	2 91	15 09	48 98	64 07	69 80	21.6
1956	3 23	3 49	17 27	54 71	71 98	78 70	21.9
1957	6 56	4 33	19 63	55 48	75 11	86 00	22.8
1958	4 96	3 82	20 40	63 82	84 22	93 00	21.9
1959	6 99	4 32	19 50	70 39	89 89	101 20	19.3
1960	7 96	4 26	19 70	68 78	88 48	100 70	19.6

AMOUNTS CERTIFIED TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION 1951-1961

The following amounts have been certified to the Board of Assessors to be raised by taxation for all school purposes, exclusive of interest, sinking fund and serial debt requirements, beginning with the fiscal year 1951.

FISCAL YEAR	TOTAL
1951	\$22,738,085 49
1952	25,072,935 96
1953	23,149,546 52
1954	23,660,809 03
1955	24,911,446 77
1956	26,384,439 88
1957	27,347,576 32
1958	29,237,796 48
1959	29,777,265 15
1960	30,223,760 67
1961	31,837,449 74

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